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(37 CFR 1.27(a))-NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

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I hereby state that I am an official empowered to act on behalf of the nonprofit organization identified below:

NAME OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION _____The General Hospital Corporation_____
ADDRESS OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION _____55 Fruit Street_____
_____Boston, Massachusetts 02114_____

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